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**Draft Amendment**

Dear Sir:

The following is the Applicant's proposed Amended Claim based on the Examiner's phone call to Applicant's attorney on September 12, 2005, suggesting the addition of language to claim 13.

**Proposed Amended Claim:**

13. (Previously Presented) A device for aligning a fiber optic connector on a first substrate with a mating connector on a second substrate, the device comprising:

a base for securing to the first substrate having at least one rail;

a housing configured to hold a terminating ferrule and having at least one channel, wherein the housing is slidably engaged with the base by the at least one channel on the housing and the at least one rail on the base member to provide a